

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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Project Title: Visitor Center

Lead Agency: California Department of Parks and Recreation

Street Address: Northern Service Center - One Capitol Mall, Suite 500

City: Sacramento

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Project Location:

Park Unit: Calaveras Big Trees State Park

County: Calaveras

District: Central Valley

City/Nearest Community: Arnold

Cross Streets: State Hwy 4

Within 2 Miles: **State Hwy:** Highway 4

Airports: none

Waterways: Big Tree Creek

Railways: none

Schools: none

Document Type:

CEQA: ☐ NOP ☐ Other _____
☒ Negative Declaration
☐ Draft EIR
☐ Supplemental/Subsequent/Amendment

NEPA: ☐ NOI
☐ EA
☐ FONSI
☐ Draft EIS

Other: ☐ Joint Document
☐ Final Document
☐ Other _____
☒ Not Applicable

Action:

☐ General Plan ☐ Management Plan ☐ Area Development Plan ☐ Acquisition Plan
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Resource Management Plan ☐ OHV Grant
☐ General Plan Update ☐ Concession Development ☐ Coastal Permit ☒ Other: Visitor Center

Development Type:

☐ Campground ☐ Historical Structure ☐ Administrative Area
☐ Day Use Area ☐ Utilities/Infrastructure ☐ Roads/Parking Areas
☐ Trails ☐ Recreational ☐ Other _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetics/Visual ☐ Flood Plain/Flooding ☐ Schools/Universities ☐ Water Quality
☐ Agricultural Land ☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Septic Systems ☐ Water Supply/Groundwater
☐ Air Quality ☐ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Sewer Capacity ☐ Wetland/Riparian
☒ Archeological/Historical ☐ Minerals ☐ Soil Erosion /Grading ☐ Wildlife
☐ Coastal Zone ☐ Noise ☐ Solid Waste ☐ Growth Inducing
☐ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Population/Housing ☐ Toxic/Hazardous ☐ Land Use
☐ Economic/Jobs ☐ Public Services/Facilities ☐ Traffic/Circulation ☐ Cumulative Effects
☐ Fiscal ☐ Recreation/Parks ☐ Vegetation ☐ Other:

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Recreation

Project Description

The Department of Parks and Recreation (California State Parks) proposes to construct a Visitor Center on the grounds of Calaveras Big Trees State Park. The following is a summary of the proposed work:

- Construct a permanent, accessible visitor center of approximately 7000 square feet;
- Install a new trailhead/assembly area adjacent the proposed visitor center;
- Improve the parking area to include four Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) spaces, including one van accessible space, 79 standard spaces and three bus parking spaces;
- Remove approximately four trees of no more than 30" diameter at breast height (dbh) to accommodate visitor center and utility placement;
- Provide utility connections to the new visitor center including water, sewer, electricity, telephone, environmental control, security/fire alarm, and telecommunications infrastructure; and
- Provide low-maintenance, native plant landscaping around visitor center, over trenching areas, adjacent to pathways, and all areas disturbed by construction.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

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X = Document sent by SCH

✓ = Suggested distribution

Resources Agency

- ☐ Boating & Waterways
☐ Coastal Commission
☐ Coastal Conservancy
☐ Colorado River Board
☐ Conservation
☒ Fish & Game
☒ Forestry & Fire Protection
☐ Office of Historic Preservation
☐ Reclamation Board
☐ S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission
☐ Water Resources (DWR)

Business, Transportation & Housing

- ☐ Aeronautics
☐ California Highway Patrol
☐ CALTRANS District # _____
☐ Department of Transportation Planning (headquarters)
☐ Housing & Community Development

Environmental Protection Agency

- ☐ Air Resources Board
☐ California Waste Management Board
☐ SWRCB: _____
☐ Parks & Recreation
☒ Regional WQCB # 5 - (Central Valley RWQCB)

Food & Agriculture _____

Health & Welfare

_____ Health Services: _____

Independent Commissions & Offices

- _____ Energy Commission
☒ Native American Heritage Commission
_____ Public Utilities Commission
_____ Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
_____ State Lands Commission
_____ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
_____ Other _____

State & Consumer Services

- _____ General Services
_____ OLA (Schools)

Youth & Adult Corrections

- _____ Corrections
_____ Youth Authority

Public Review Period

Starting Date: July 29, 2004

Ending Date: August 27, 2004

Signature: Original Signature on File

Date: _____

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting firm: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Contact: _____
Phone: (____) _____

Applicant: _____

City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: (____) _____

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